1 2 3 4 5 6 7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON 8 AT SEATTLE 9 ALONZO J. SEVERSON, CASE NO. C24-1748JLR 10 Plaintiff, **ORDER** 11 v. 12 TRUMP ORGANIZATION, et al., 13 Defendants. 14 15 Before the court is pro se Plaintiff Alonzo J. Severson's amended complaint against Defendants Trump Organization and Donald John Trump ("Defendants") (Am. 16 Compl. (Dkt. #9)). On October 29, 2024, Mr. Severson filed a complaint alleging that 17 Defendants "stole[] intellectual property" from his King County jail cell and used that 18 property "to run for and win [the] United States President campaign[.]" (See 1st Compl. 19 20 (Dkt. # 5) at 4 ("Make America Great Again is stolen intellectual property").) Mr. 21 Severson sought \$5 billion in damages for Defendants' alleged intellectual property

infringement, copyright infringement, patent infringement, trademark infringement,

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design infringement, cybersquatting and biopiracy. (1st Compl. at 1.) On October 30, 2024, the court dismissed Mr. Severson's complaint without prejudice for failing to plead a short and plain statement of his claim showing that he is entitled to relief. (10/30/24) Order (Dkt. # 6) (citing Fed. R. Civ. P. 8(a)(1)-(2)).) Specifically, from the facts Mr. Severson alleged, the court was unable to determine (1) what Defendants allegedly "stole" or infringed—in other words, how "Make America Great Again" is "stolen" property (1st Compl. at 4); (2) whether Mr. Severson has intellectual property rights or any other legal right to the allegedly stolen property; or (3) how such property was allegedly stolen from his King County jail cell in or after 2017. (10/30/24 Order at 4.) The court granted Mr. Severson leave to file an amended complaint correcting the identified deficiencies by November 21, 2024. (*Id.* at 5.) Mr. Severson timely filed an amended complaint on November 21, 2024. (See Am. Compl.) His amended complaint, however, fails to correct the identified deficiencies. Like his original complaint, Mr. Severson's amended complaint does not allege any facts explaining: (1) how "Make America Great Again" is "stolen" property; (2) that Mr. Severson has intellectual property rights or any other legal right to the allegedly stolen property; or (3) how such property was allegedly stolen from his jail cell. (See generally id.) The court warned Mr. Severson that it would dismiss his case with prejudice if he "fail[ed] to file an amended complaint that remedies the deficiencies discussed in" the court's October 30, 2024 order. (10/30/24 Order at 4.) Because Mr. Severson's amended complaint fails to provide a "short and plain statement" of his claim

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| 1 | showing that he is entitled to relief[,]" the court must dismiss his case. Fed. R. Civ. P. |
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| 3 | For the foregoing reasons, the court DISMISSES Mr. Severson's amended |
| 4 | complaint (Dkt. # 9), and this action, with prejudice. |
| 5 | Dated this 27th day of November, 2024. |
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